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§ 178.521 Standards for paper bags.

- (a) The following are identification codes for paper bags:
- (1) 5M1 for a multi-wall paper bag; and
- (2) 5M2 for a multi-wall water-resistant paper bag.
- (b) Construction requirements for paper bags are as follows:
- (1) Bags must be made of a suitable kraft paper, or of an equivalent paper with at least three plies. The strength of the paper and the construction of the bag must be appropriate to the capacity and intended use of the bag. Seams and closures must be sift-proof.
- (2) Paper bags 5M2: To prevent the entry of moisture, a bag of four plies or more must be made waterproof by the use of either a water-resistant ply as one of the two outermost plies or a water-resistant barrier made of a suitable protective material between the two outermost plies. A 5M2 bag of three plies must be made waterproof by the use of a water-resistant ply as the outermost ply. When there is danger of the lading reacting with moisture, or when it is packed damp, a waterproof ply or barrier, such as double-tarred kraft paper, plastics-coated kraft paper, plastics film bonded to the inner surface of the bag, or one or more inner plastics liners, must also be placed next to the substance. Seams and closures must be waterproof.
- (3) Maximum net mass: 50 kg (110 pounds).

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§178.522 Standards for composite packagings with inner plastic receptacles.

- (a) The following are the identification codes for composite packagings with inner plastic receptacles:
- (1) 6HA1 for a plastic receptacle within a protective steel drum;
- (2) 6HA2 for a plastic receptacle within a protective steel crate or box;
- (3) 6HB1 for a plastic receptacle within a protective aluminum drum.
- (4) 6HB2 for a plastic receptacle within a protective aluminum crate or box.
- (5) 6HC for a plastic receptacle within a protective wooden box.

- (6) 6HD1 for a plastic receptacle within a protective plywood drum;
- (7) 6HD2 for a plastic receptacle within a protective plywood box;
- (8) 6HG1 for a plastic receptacle within a protective fiber drum;
- (9) 6HG2 for a plastic receptacle within a protective fiberboard box;
- (10) 6HH1 for a plastic receptacle within a protective plastic drum; and
- (11) 6HH2 for a plastic receptacle within a protective plastic box.
- (b) Construction requirements for composite packagings with inner receptacles of plastic are as follows:
- (1) Inner receptacles must be constructed under the applicable construction requirements prescribed in §178.509(b) (1) through (7) of this subpart.
- (2) The inner plastic receptacle must fit snugly inside the outer packaging, which must be free of any projections which may abrade the plastic material.
- (3) Outer packagings must be constructed as follows:
- (i) 6HA1 or 6HB1: Protective packaging must conform to the requirements for steel drums in §178.504(b) of this subpart, or aluminum drums in §178.505(b) of this subpart.
- (ii) 6HA2 or 6HB2: Protective packagings with steel or aluminum crate must conform to the requirements for steel or aluminum boxes found in §178.512(b) of this subpart.
- (iii) 6HC protective packaging must conform to the requirements for wooden boxes in §178.513(b) of this subpart.
- (iv) 6HD1: Protective packaging must conform to the requirements for plywood drums, in §178.507(b) of this subpart.
- (v) 6HD2: Protective packaging must conform to the requirements of plywood boxes, in §178.514(b) of this subpart.
- (vi) 6HG1: Protective packaging must conform to the requirements for fiber drums, in §178.508(b) of this subpart.
- (vii) 6HG2: protective packaging must conform to the requirements for fiberboard boxes, in §178.516(b) of this subpart.
- (viii) 6HH1: Protective packaging must conform to the requirements for plastic drums, in §178.509(b).